(b) if so, whether any responsibility has been fixed and persons identified; and

(c) whether any pecuniary penalties been imposed on such officials?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) According to information made available by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi certain observation has been made by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India in their report ending March, 2003 but it is not correct to say that Delhi Government has suffered a loss due to decisions made during the unbundling of the Delhi Vidyut Board. Certain modifications were carried out in the original Transfer Scheme/Policy Directions including reduction of Transmission and Distribution Loss (Aggregate Technical and Commercial Loss) targets by the Government, based on the recommendations made by the Core Committee.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Pong Dam in Himachal Pradesh

†2145. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the construction of Pong Dam in Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh, an agreement was reached under which a Shah canal was to be constructed in Punjab which was then to be used for irrigation in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that this canal has not been built so far in Punjab; and

(c) if so, whether it does not amount to the violation of the conditions of the agreement and if so, the efforts made by the Government of India to construct Shah canal and the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Transitional solution to revive Dabhol Power Project

2146. SHRI MURLI DEORA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are exploring a transitional solution to revive the beleaguered Dabhol Power Project;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.